

**CLAIMS**

1. A device for dispensing a spreadable material, comprising a tube-like holding element having a dispensing end and a tube base at an end opposite the dispensing end, in which holding element is arranged an internally screwthreaded, non-rotatable piston-like element that carries the spreadable material and that is displaceable longitudinally from the tube base of the holding element to the dispensing end by an externally operated control wheel provided at the tube base end of the holding element, the control wheel comprising an axially supported externally screwthreaded spindle that extends rotatably through an opening in the tube base into the holding element and that co-operates with the internal screwthread of the piston-like element, wherein the screwthreaded spindle in a region adjoining the tube base has a non-screwthreaded region that has an external diameter smaller than the internal screwthread of the piston-like element, so that when the piston-like element is drawn adjacent to the tube base, the spindle is able to slip relative to the piston-like element if it is rotated any further.
2. The device of claim 1, wherein the screwthread-free region of the spindle has a smaller length than the internal screwthread of the piston-like element.
3. The device of claim 2, wherein the internal screwthread of the piston-like element remains in contact with the thread of the spindle when the piston-like element is drawn adjacent to the tube base.